



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Applicants: Kazuko SHINOZAKI, et al.  
Serial No.: 10/668,627  
Filed: September 23, 2003  
For: **ENVIRONMENTAL STRESS-TOLERANT PLANTS**  
Examiner: David H. Kruse  
Art Unit: 1638  
Confirmation No.: 7894

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

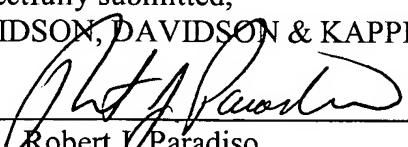
February 28, 2007

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2006 for one (1) month from January 31, 2007 to February 28, 2007.

A check in the amount of \$910.00 is enclosed, out of which \$ 120.00 is to cover the one (1) month extension fee. If it is determined that any additional fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Respectfully submitted,  
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